

1 SEC. 3. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall be
 2 in full force and effect from and after its publication in the Plain Talk,
 3 a newspaper published at Des Moines, Iowa, and in the Maquoketa
 4 Excelsior, a newspaper published at Maquoketa, Iowa, all without
 5 expense to the state of Iowa.

Approved April 3, A. D. 1925.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Des Moines Plain Talk
 April 9, 1925, and in the Maquoketa Excelsior April 14, 1925.

W. C. RAMSAY, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 275

TOWN OF OSSIAN

H. F. 391

AN ACT to legalize the proceedings of the town council of the incorporated town of Ossian, Winneshiek county, Iowa, so far as they cover the passage of ordinance No. 74 entitled "An ordinance granting a franchise to Harry Bullard, for himself, his assigns and successors, to erect, operate and maintain in the town of Ossian, Winneshiek county, Iowa, for a period of twenty-five (25) years, an electric light and power plant, and for that purpose grant the privilege, right, power and authority to use the streets, avenues, alleys and other public places of the said town of Ossian, for the erection of poles, wires and other appliances, apparatus and connections, for the purpose of producing, receiving and distributing electricity for light, heat and power for municipal, commercial, domestic and manufacturing uses."

WHEREAS, on the 18th day of June, 1913, the mayor and city clerk under and by virtue of the authority of the electorate of the incorporated town of Ossian, Winneshiek county, Iowa, signed ordinance No. 74 which granted a franchise to Harry Bullard for himself, his assigns and successors, to erect, operate and maintain in the town of Ossian, Winneshiek county, Iowa, for a period of twenty-five (25) years, an electric light and power plant, and for that purpose grant the privilege, right, power and authority to use the streets, avenues, alleys and other public places of the said town of Ossian, for the erection of poles, wires and other appliances, apparatus and connections, for the purpose of producing, receiving and distributing electricity for light, heat and power for municipal, commercial, domestic and manufacturing uses.

WHEREAS, said franchise and the rights conferred thereby have been assigned to and are now held by the Interstate Power Company, a corporation, and

WHEREAS, doubts have arisen because of the insufficiency of the records of said town as to whether or not all of the provisions of the code of Iowa of 1897 and all acts amendatory and supplemental thereto have been complied with, and particularly whether or not the ordinance granting the franchise herein named was fully and distinctly read on three different days to the town council of Ossian, Iowa; whether or not the rules were suspended by a three-fourths vote of the council and said ordinance passed without being read on three different days; whether or not a vote was taken by ayes and nays at the passage of said ordinance by the town

council, and the ayes and nays recorded in a book provided for that purpose; whether or not there was a sufficient publication of said ordinance in a newspaper of general circulation published in the incorporated town of Ossian, Iowa; whether or not a return of publication of said ordinance was duly made; whether or not said special election held on June 10, 1913, was properly called pursuant to proclamation issued in accordance with the order of the town council of said town of Ossian, Iowa, or upon the petition of the required number of property owners of said town; whether or not notice of said election was published in a newspaper of general circulation in the town of Ossian, Winneshiek county, Iowa, once each week for four consecutive weeks preceding said election and whether or not at said special election a ballot was used setting forth the terms of said proposed ordinance preceded by the words, "Shall the following public measure be adopted?", and containing squares with the words "yes" and "no" so placed that an elector may submit his affirmative or negative vote by placing a cross in the proper square; whether or not proper record was kept of the return of said ordinance to the town council for its further consideration after the same was passed by a vote of the legal electors of the incorporated town of Ossian, Iowa; whether or not said ordinance was again read to the town council of Ossian, and an aye and nay vote taken and recorded in a book provided for that purpose as by law provided; whether or not said ordinance was again published; whether or not said franchise granted by said ordinance was formally accepted in writing on the part of the grantee of said ordinance and whether or not the ordinance granting said franchise was properly recorded in the records of the incorporated town of Ossian in a book provided for that purpose, now, therefore:

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. Ordinance legalized. That an ordinance of the in-
2 corporated town of Ossian, Iowa, June 18, 1913, and entitled: "An
3 ordinance granting a franchise to Harry Bullard, for himself, his
4 assigns and successors, to erect, operate, and maintain in the town
5 of Ossian, Winneshiek county, Iowa, for a period of twenty-five (25)
6 years, an electric light and power plant, and for that purpose grant
7 the privilege, right, power and authority to use the streets, avenues,
8 alleys and other public places of the said town of Ossian, for the
9 erection of poles, wires and other appliances, apparatus and connec-
10 tions, for the purpose of producing, receiving and distributing elec-
11 tricity for light, heat and power for municipal, commercial, domestic
12 and manufacturing uses," be and the same is hereby declared legal
13 and valid, the same as if all of the provisions of law relating to the
14 granting of the franchise had in all respect been strictly compli-
15 ed with, and particularly in the respects in the preamble hereto
16 enumerated.

1 SEC. 2. Pending litigation. This act shall in no wise affect pending
2 litigation.

1 SEC. 3. **Publication clause.** This act being deemed of immediate
 2 importance shall be in force and effect from and after its publication
 3 in the Des Moines Register, a newspaper published in Des Moines,
 4 Iowa, and the Ossian Bee, a newspaper published in Ossian, Iowa, and
 5 without expense to the state.

Approved April 3, A. D. 1925.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Decorah Republican
 April 16, 1925, and in the Ossian Bee April 9, 1925.

W. C. RAMSAY, *Secretary of State.*

[The above newspapers selected by the Secretary of State under the provisions of Section 55
 of the Code of 1924.]

CHAPTER 276

LINN COUNTY

H. F. 376

AN ACT to legalize the action of the board of supervisors of Linn county, Iowa, in
 connection with the letting of contracts for certain bridges and culverts and to
 legalize such contracts.

WHEREAS, on the 27th day of October, 1924, the board of supervisors
 of Linn county, Iowa, advertised for bids for the construction of bridge
 and culvert work as follows, to-wit:

Bridge No. 1008, section 16-86-5.....	\$ 599.00
1015, section 1-85-6.....	7,781.00
1016, section 30-83-5.....	175.00
1018, section 30-83-5.....	3,206.00
1028, section 20-85-6.....	3,699.00
1035, section 17-86-6.....	307.00
1036, section 20-86-5.....	320.00
1037, section 20-86-5.....	532.00
1038, section 16-83-5.....	242.00
1039, section 32-85-6.....	203.00
1040, section 1-82-6.....	606.00
1041, section 26-82-7.....	607.00
1042, section 12-84-8.....	357.00

and,

WHEREAS, on the 28th day of October, 1924, bids were received by the
 board of supervisors from seven different persons and firms for the con-
 struction of said bridges and culverts, and Perry Jayne of Cedar Rapids,
 Iowa, being the lowest bidder for such work, the contract was awarded to
 him for the total sum of \$18,634.00 by a proper resolution adopted by the
 board and contracts were entered into with the said Perry Jayne in con-
 formity therewith, and

WHEREAS, the said Perry Jayne has entered upon said work and has
 practically completed the construction of said bridges and culverts, and
 is requesting payment of the amounts due him under the contract, and